



Mayor's Message

*Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council's Mayor
Cr Jason Woibo's monthly message*

It was good to see some rain of the past couple of weeks with storms now starting to roll through.

I attended a number of Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance (TCICA) meetings this month one of which was the AGM. I would like to congratulate the Kowanyama Mayor Robbie Sands who has been elected as the Chair of TCICA. With Mayors and CEO's from Indigenous Councils across the Cape and Torres attending, these meetings are always interesting. Some of the sessions included sly grogging issues across the Cape and the financial sustainability of Councils.

Jonathan Thurston visited Hope Vale recently to support COVID vaccinations to keep our residents safe. Jonathan visited the school, Health Centre, Council and spoke at a lunch held at the Pioneer Hall about the Jonathan Thurston Foundation and the work they do. It's always great to welcome people like Jonathon to our township.

As part of FNQROC, we have been having virtual meetings with members of the Government and members of the Opposition to ensure that all sides of politics are aware of the issues faced by our communities in Far North Queensland and the Cape. Deputations I have participated in included:

- Hon. Ken Wyatt, Minister for Indigenous Australians
- Hon. Amanda Stoker, Assistant Minister to the Attorney General, Assistant Minister for Industrial Relations and Assistant Minister for Women
- Hon. Kevin Hogan, Assistant Minister to the Deputy Prime Minister and Assistant Minister for Local Government
- Hon Warren Entsch, Member for Leichhardt
- Senator James McGrath, Senator for Queensland
- Hon. Chris Bowen, Shadow Minister for Climate Change and Energy

The photo included is taken during the Hon Ken Wyatt meeting- the Minister is in top left of the screen.

Hopevale Aged Care Hostel

Following an audit of the Hostel undertaken by the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission during October, it was very pleasing to receive advice that the Commission has decided to re-accredit the Hostel for a further period of three (3) years.

Whilst the Hostel currently only has a small number of residents. it was particularly pleasing to note in the Commission's original report that the resident's feedback about the staff was so complimentary. Congratulations to all staff at the Hostel for a great result.

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